

REMARKS

Applicants request entry of this Rule 116 Response and Request for Reconsideration because it is believed that the amendments put this application into condition for allowance as suggested by the Examiner and the foregoing amendments do not significantly alter the scope of the claims.

Status of the Claims:

In accordance with the final Office Action mailed May 25, 2007, claims 1-3, 6-9, 15-17, 22-26, 28-30, 33-40, 44 and 46-54 were allowed. In accordance with the foregoing, claims 11, 13, 18, 19, 21, 31 and 32 have been amended. Claim 10 has been cancelled.

Claims 1-3, 6-26, 28-40, 44 and 46-54 are currently pending and under consideration. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Objections to the claims:

Line 14 of page 12 in the final Office Action erroneously states that claims 15-17 are dependent on a rejected base claim. According to the Amendment filed on February 27, 2007, claim 15 has been rewritten in independent form. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Prior Art Rejections:

Page 4 of the final Office Action rejected claims 42 and 43 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Matsuda (U.S. Patent 6,718,333). According to the Amendment filed on February 27, 2007, claims 41-43 have been cancelled, thereby rendering the rejection moot.

The last paragraph of page 12 in the final Office Action stated the prior art of record failed to disclose, make obvious or otherwise suggest "whether the second document is the non-text document related to the contents of the first document, based on whether the second document is used a prescribed number of times or more in the first document" as it appeared in claim 15. This limitation has been added to independent claims 31 and 32. Furthermore, dependent claims 11, 13, 18, 19 and 21 have been amended to depend from claim 15. Therefore it is submitted that pending claims 1-3, 6-26, 28-40, 44 and 46-54 are patentably distinguishable over the prior art of record.

Summary:

If there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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